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#### AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

In response to the Examiner's requirement for restriction, set forth in the Office Action dated October 27, 2005, Applicants elect the subject matter of Group VII (claims 77-79, 84, 89-91, 93 and 95, drawn to methods of treating microbial infections, burn wounds, etc.). The election is made with traverse and the Examiner is urged to reconsider and withdraw the requirement for restriction, at least as between the subject matter of Groups I-VII. All of these Groups are classed and subclassed identically and thus no undue burden would be placed on the Examiner from the standpoint of searching if they were to be considered together.

Further, Applicants wish to elect the tetra butyl compound as the single species; this is 3,7-(tetra-n-butylamino)-phenothiazin-5-ium bromide as shown as compound 2 in Table 1 and in Table 5. Compound 2 is a compound of Formula (I) in which both A and B are both -NR<sup>1</sup>R<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>1</sup>

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and  $R^2$  are both n-butyl; P = 1; and  $X^P$  is bromide. Elected claims readable on the elected species include claims 77-79, 84, 89-91, 93 and 95.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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